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IN APPLICATION OF )  
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SERIAL NO.: 10/728,029 )  
FILED: DECEMBER 4, 2003 )  
TITLE: PROCESS FOR THE )  
PREPARATION OF LOW )  
MOLECULAR WEIGHT )  
HYDROGENATED NITRILE )  
RUBBER )

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(A)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Applicants, by the undersigned attorney, respectfully petition the Commissioner for Patents under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for filing their response so that the Response filed simultaneously with this Petition will be considered timely filed.


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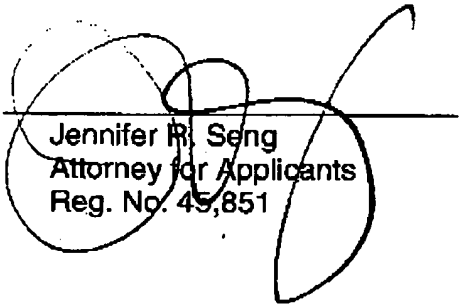
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